

Nat from CBeebies "Boogie Beebies"

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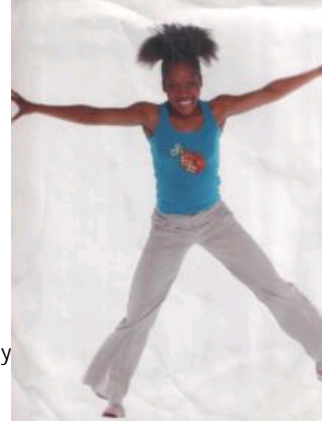
WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO FUNDRAISE?

I believe that it's wrong just to take from life - you need to put something back!

WHAT DID YOU CHOOSE TO DO AND WHY?

I have worked as a presenter on BBC's CBeebies, and I also organise children's events throughout the UK, so I was aware of the great job that the Children's Trust do. I had already agreed to organise an event on behalf of the charity, and when they then asked if I would run the 2009 Flora London Marathon for them, I jumped at the chance.

Running a marathon is something I've always wanted to do and never have, and to do it for such a deserving cause is really special.



HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE ON YOUR VOLUNTEER FUNDRAISING TEAM AND HOW DID YOU GET YOUR TEAM TOGETHER?

The Trust are trying to get together a team of 1000 runners at this year's London Marathon, so I'm part of a really big fundraising team!

WHAT WAS IT LIKE PLANNING FOR IT?

This is the first big fundraising event that I've done, and I'm really working hard at getting as much publicity as I can for the Children's Trust.

And then there's the running training... :-)

HOW LONG DID IT TAKE, INCLUDING EVERYONE'S TIME?

More than 160 hours

WHAT WAS IT LIKE ASKING FOR DONATIONS, ANY TOP TIPS?

I've set up an online donations page with justgiving here: www.justgiving.com/natayliaroni to help promote what I'm doing. All donations welcome!

WHAT 'S YOUR TARGET?

£1,000 would be good (but £2,000 would be better!)

WOULD YOU DO IT AGAIN?

Fundraising, definitely. Marathon running - ask me after the race!

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO SOMEONE WANTING TO DO THE SAME THING?

Go for it! It's easy to keep putting things off and never find time to get round to them - do it now!

More about Nataylia

Nataylia will be running the 2009 Flora London Marathon in aid of [The Children's Trust](http://www.childrenstrust.org). The trust is aiming to recruit 1,000 runners for their team at this year's race - if you already have a guaranteed place but are not already part of a team, you can contact them through their [website](http://www.childrenstrust.org).

Nataylia is an established actress, presenter and singer, best known for her work in the West End and as a presenter on the CBeebies television show "Boogie Beebies" Nat also runs her own business promoting children's events throughout the UK, and her first children's book will be released by Canaan Press later this year.

To sponsor Nat's first marathon, and support The Children's Trust, click on www.justgiving.com/natayliaroni

